



Geometric classification of real ternary octahedral quartics

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Objectives

1. The aim is to consider degree four hyper-surfaces invariant under \mathbf{B}_n Coxeter group in \mathbb{R}^n .
2. We analyze: octahedral surfaces of degree 4.
3. Classify these surfaces geometrically and topologically.
4. study the geometry of the connected components of this family of hyper-surfaces.

Introduction

- The polynomial invariants of finite groups have been studied for more than two centuries and continues to find new applications and generate interesting problems.
- In this work, we are interested in giving a geometric and topologic characterization of real quartic surfaces admitting octahedral symmetry.
- To classify such surfaces we use the same type of group theory approach that was initiated by E. Goursat [4] and extended to the case of icosahedral symmetry by W. Barth [1].

Definitions

- Let \mathbf{G} be a finite group and $\rho : \mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{GL}(n, \mathbb{F})$ a representation of \mathbf{G} . Then \mathbf{G} acts on the vector space $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{F}^n$ through linear transformations, and this may be extended to $\mathbb{F}[\mathbf{V}]$ by the formula $(\mathbf{g}\mathbf{f})(\mathbf{v}) := \mathbf{f}(\rho(\mathbf{g}^{-1})\mathbf{v}) \forall \mathbf{v} \in \mathbf{V}$. One of the basic objects of study in invariant theory is the set of \mathbf{G} -invariant polynomials $\mathbb{F}[\mathbf{V}]^{\mathbf{G}} := \{\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{F}[\mathbf{V}] | \mathbf{g}\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{f} \ \forall \mathbf{g} \in \mathbf{G}\}$.
- \mathbb{F} is the field of real numbers.
- $\mathbf{G} = \mathbf{B}_n$ the Coxeter group.

Example of a geometric classification for $n = 3$

Let $n = 3$. The following equation defines an octahedral quartic.

$$\mathbf{f}_{-,-} = \beta(\mathbf{x}^2\mathbf{y}^2 + \mathbf{y}^2\mathbf{z}^2 + \mathbf{x}^2\mathbf{z}^2) - \left(\mathbf{x}^2 + \mathbf{y}^2 + \mathbf{z}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{1 - \mathbf{k}}{4} = 0. \quad (1)$$

1. $0 < \beta \leq 3$,
► $\mathbf{k} < \frac{3}{3-\beta}$, $\mathbf{Q}_{--}(\mathbf{k}) = \mathcal{C}$, cuboide vanishing in $\{0\}$.
2. $\beta = 3$
► $\mathbf{k} < 0$ the surface is an eight branched star
3. $3 < \beta < 4$
► $\mathbf{k} < \frac{3}{3-\beta}$, $\mathbf{Q}^{--}(\mathbf{k}) = (\#_{i=1}^8 \mathcal{H}_i) \# \mathcal{C}$, $\#$ The surface is the connected sum of a cube with hyperbolic sheets having the diagonal of the cube as axis.
► $\frac{3}{3-\beta} = \mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{Q}^{--}(\frac{3}{3-\beta})$, singular quartic, analgus to the Cayley’s cubic: cube with cones at each vertex. this surface has eight conical singular points at the vertices of a cube.
► $\frac{3}{3-\beta} < \mathbf{k} < 0$, $\mathbf{Q}^{--}(\mathbf{k}) = (\sqcup_{i=1}^8 \mathcal{H}_i) \sqcup \mathcal{C}$.
► $\mathbf{k} = 0$, $\mathbf{Q}^{--}(\mathbf{k}) = (\sqcup_{i=1}^8 \mathcal{H}_i) \sqcup \{0\}$.
► $\frac{3}{3-\beta} < 0 < \mathbf{k}$, $\mathbf{Q}^{--}(\mathbf{k}) = \sqcup_{i=1}^8 \mathcal{H}_i$
4. $\beta = 4$,
► $\mathbf{k} < 0$, $\mathbf{Q}_4^{-+}(\mathbf{k}) = \sqcup_{i=1}^6 \mathcal{S}\mathbf{q}_i$, six disjoint hyperbolic sheets with section of square’s type $\mathcal{S}\mathbf{q}_i$, and axes being the coordinate axes β^\dagger .
► $\mathbf{k} = 0$, $\mathbf{Q}_4^{-+}(0) = \sqcup_{i=1}^6 \mathcal{S}\mathbf{q}_i \sqcup \{0\}$,
► $0 < \mathbf{k} < 1$, $\mathbf{Q}_4^{-+}(\mathbf{k}) = \sqcup_{i=1}^6 \mathcal{S}\mathbf{q}_i \sqcup \mathcal{O}$ is the disjoint union of six hyperbolic sheets $\mathcal{S}\mathbf{q}_i$ and an octahedron centered at the origin $\{0\}$.

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Results in \mathbb{R}^3

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Components	Equation	Parameters	Compacts
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9	$\mathbf{f}_{-,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta, \frac{3}{3-\beta} < \mathbf{k} < 0$	1
8	$\mathbf{f}_{-,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta, 0 < \mathbf{k}$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \beta < 3, \frac{4}{4-\beta} < \mathbf{k} < \frac{3}{3-\beta}$	8
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta < 4, \frac{4}{4-\beta} < \mathbf{k}$	0
7	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 4, 0 < \mathbf{k} < 1$	1
6	$\mathbf{f}_{+,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\frac{4}{4-\beta} < \mathbf{k} < 1$	6
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 4, \mathbf{k} < 0$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$4 \leq \beta, \mathbf{k} < 0$	0
2	$\mathbf{f}_{+,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \mathbf{k} < \frac{3}{3+\beta}$	2
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \beta < 3, 0 < \mathbf{k} < 1$	2
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 3, 0 < \mathbf{k} < 1$	2
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta < 4, 0 < \mathbf{k} < 1$	1
1	$\mathbf{f}_{+,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\mathbf{k} < 0$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{+,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\mathbf{k} < 0$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{+,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\frac{3}{3+\beta} < \mathbf{k} < \frac{4}{4+\beta}$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \beta \leq 3, \mathbf{k} < 0$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,-}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta > 3, 1 < \mathbf{k} < \frac{4}{4-\beta}$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \beta \leq 3, \mathbf{k} < 0$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$0 < \beta \leq 3, 1 < \mathbf{k} < \frac{4}{4-\beta}$	1
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 3, \mathbf{k} < 0$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 3, 1 < \mathbf{k} < 4$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta < 4, \mathbf{k} < 0$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$3 < \beta < 4, 1 < \mathbf{k} < \frac{4}{4-\beta}$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$\beta = 4, 1 < \mathbf{k}$	0
	$\mathbf{f}_{-,+}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z})$	$4 \leq \beta, 1 < \mathbf{k}$	0

Table 1: Tabular giving the number of connected components in \mathbb{R}^3

Figures in \mathbb{R}^3

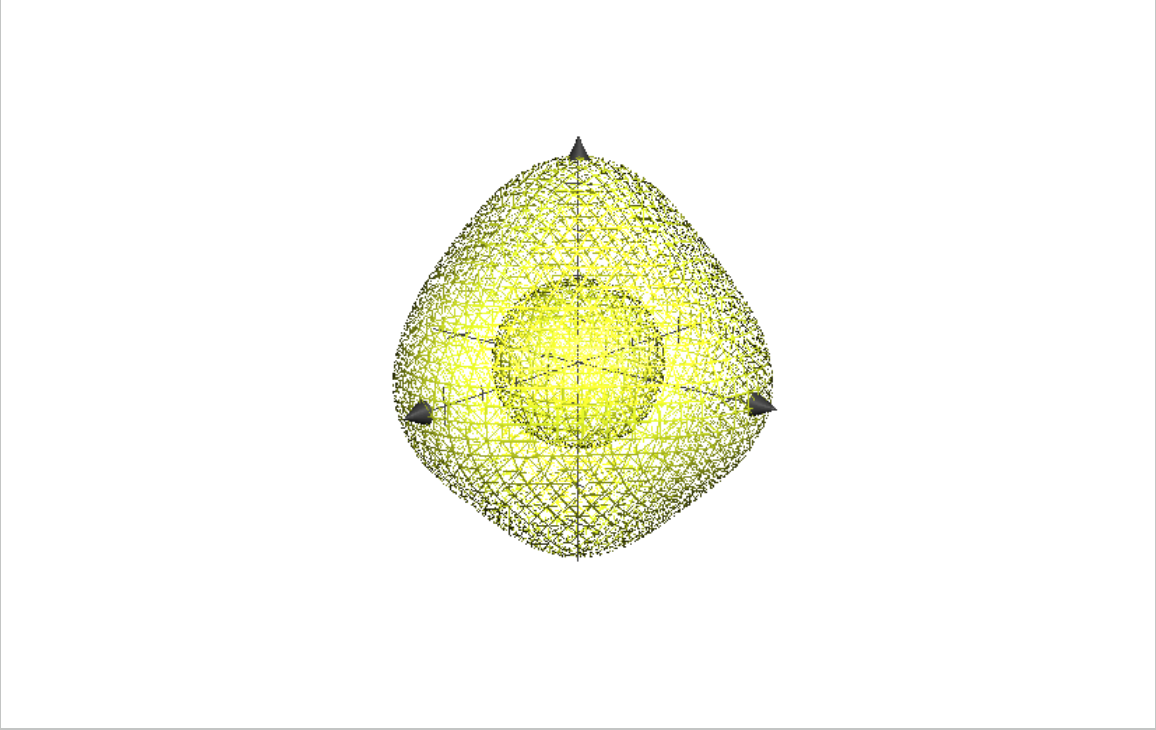


Figure 1: Figure of two nested compact connected components

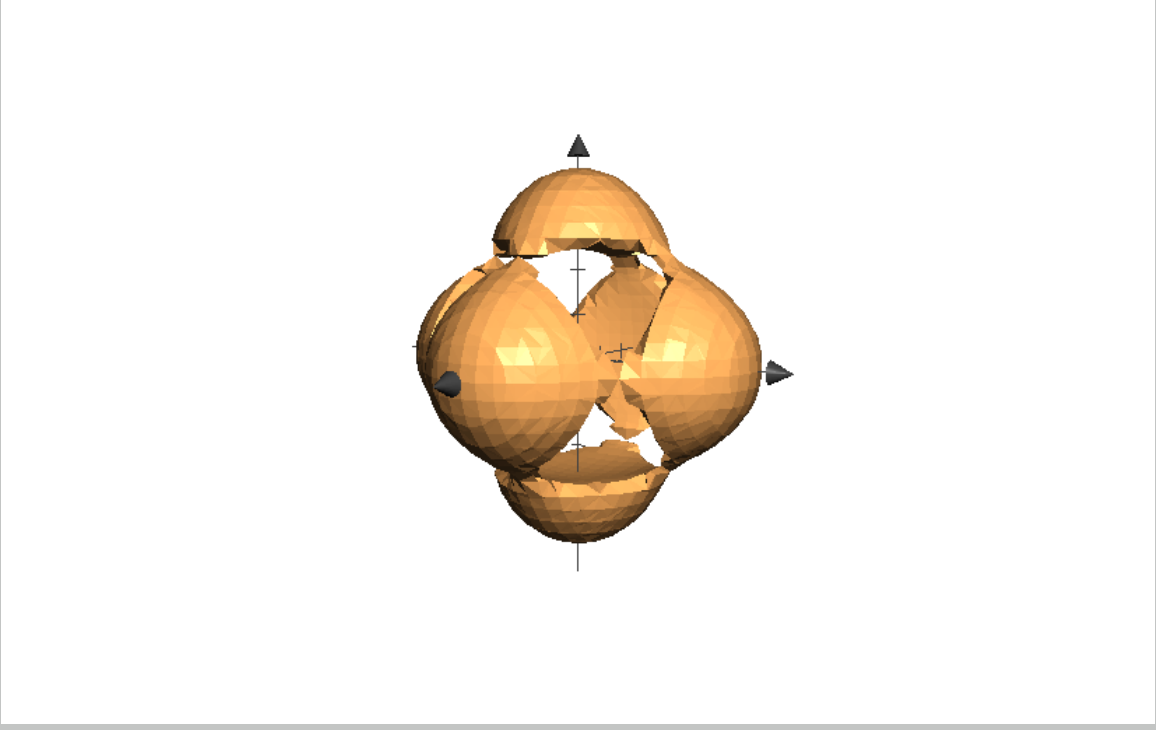


Figure 2: Compact singular surface, 12 conic singularities

Conclusions and results

- Let $\mathbf{f} \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, ..., \mathbf{x}_n]^{\mathbf{B}_n}$, $\mathbf{deg}(\mathbf{f}) = 4$. The octahedral surface defined by \mathbf{f} has at most $\frac{|\mathbf{G}|}{|\mathbf{S}_n|} + 1$ connected components for a given family of parameters.
- The \mathbf{B}_n quartic hyper-surface has at most $\frac{|\mathbf{G}|}{|\mathbf{S}_n|}$ compact connected components.
- If \mathbf{B}_n quartic hyper-surface has two connected components, then they are necessarily nested.
- The maximal bound on the number of connected components of an octahedral quartic surface is **8** in \mathbb{RP}^3 . These compact connected components in \mathbb{RP}^3 are homeomorphic to 2-spheres
- The maximal number of isolated singularities of an octahedral quartic is **12**.